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1. Following the Peace Congress held at Vienna, many of those who attended the Congress came from Vienna to Poland. Most of those coming to Poland were delegates from various African and South American countries. They visited ports and factories, and one group visited Gdynia; they were heard to speak principally Russian and French.
2. Mobilization of medical personnel has begun to take place very secretly in the western part of Poland. Persons called up included doctors, dentists, pharmacists, male and female hospital attendants, and Red Cross nurses. The families were informed that the person mobilized had been called up for special duty.¹ According to rumors which circulated, medical personnel in this category had already been sent to Korea; according to the same rumors a large offensive was to begin in Korea, possibly on the initiative of the Americans. As a consequence of the mobilization of medical personnel, there has been a severe shortage of such personnel in hospitals, ambulance stations, factories, and other large establishments.
3. In order to prevent rumors from circulating in connection with arrests by the UB (Security Police), the UB has for several weeks been employing a different method. A person to be arrested is summoned to the RKU (Regional Recruitment Office), ostensibly to make a change in his military registration. Upon arrival at the office, the person in question is arrested by the UB, is removed to an unknown location, and disappears entirely. When the families concerned report to the militia the disappearance of a person so arrested, the militia replies that there are no traces of the man and that he probably escaped abroad or joined the underground. Persons arrested are principally those wanted by the Soviet MVD and in Poland, and following their arrest the men are deported to the Soviet Union. Following their arrest the men are sent to the Soviet Union.

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1. [REDACTED] Comment: [REDACTED] the military registration of medical personnel in Poznan Voivodship in October 1952. Those who were not classified for military service before were allocated to the Medical Corps Reserve.

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